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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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REMARKS

This Response is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed on June 13, 2003. The Examiner issued a species restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121, which requires applicant to elect one of the following:

- Claim 1-17, drawn to a supply canister, classified in class 55, subclass ١. 417.
- Claims 18-24, drawn to a canister, seal, and displacable valve classified in II. class 55, subclass 513.

Applicant hereby makes the following elections with traverse:

Applicant hereby elects Group I, Claims 1-17, with traverse, for examination on the merits. Applicant traverses since all of the claims are drawn to a drink supply canister for a beverage dispensing apparatus or beverage dispenser in a refrigerator.

Favorable consideration is respectfully requested.